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Chief Executive Officer

June 30, 2009

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**FIRE DEPARTMENT AND DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS:
FIRE CAMP 14 SEPTIC SYSTEM UPGRADE AND NEW INMATE
RESTROOM/SHOWER PROJECT – UNINCORPORATED AREA
OF SANTA CLARITA – APPROVE REVISED PROJECT
BUDGET AND AWARD CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT
SPECS. 6897; CAPITAL PROJECT NO. 88740
(FIFTH DISTRICT) (3 VOTES)**

SUBJECT

Approve revised project budget and award construction contract for the Fire Camp 14 Septic System Upgrade and New Inmate Restroom/Shower project.

**JOINT RECOMMENDATION WITH THE FIRE CHIEF THAT YOUR BOARD, ACTING
AS THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CONSOLIDATED FIRE PROTECTION
DISTRICT:**

1. Approve the revised \$3,762,000 total project budget for construction of the Fire Camp 14 Septic System Upgrade and New Inmate Restroom/Shower project.
2. Find that AMG and Associates, Inc., is the apparent Lowest Responsive and Responsible Bidder, and award AMG and Associates, Inc., a construction contract for the Fire Camp 14 Septic System Upgrades and New Inmate Restroom/Shower project for \$2,259,500, subject to the satisfactory and timely completion by the contractor of the consultant services agreement to prepare a baseline construction schedule for the project and receipt by the

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County of acceptable Faithful Performance and Payment for Labor and Materials Bonds, and evidence of required contractor insurance.

3. Delegate to the Director of Public Works the authority to determine, in accordance with the applicable contract and bid specifications, whether the contractor has satisfied the above conditions for contract award, and authorize the Director of Public Works to execute the construction contract, in the form previously approved by County Counsel, to AMG and Associates, Inc., and to establish the effective date of the construction contract if the Director of Public Works determines that the above conditions have been satisfied.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

Approving the recommendations will allow the Department of Public Works (Public Works) to proceed with construction of the Fire Camp 14 Septic System Upgrade and New Inmate Restroom/Shower project. Fire Camp 14 is located at 35100 San Francisquito Canyon Road in the unincorporated area of Santa Clarita.

The proposed upgrades to the septic system will allow current and future wastewater loads to be treated as required by the Department of Public Health. The upgraded septic system will include three 20,000-gallon primary septic tanks, a recirculation tank, new polyvinyl chloride conveyance pipes to replace the existing deteriorated pipes, and an ultraviolet disinfection system to treat the effluent to tertiary standards. The proposed new 2,000 square-foot inmate restroom/shower will accommodate 16 new showers, which together with the existing 9 showers, will allow an entire work group to shower at once and ease activity scheduling and camp management.

On March 17, 2009, your Board adopted plans and specifications and instructed the Executive Officer of your Board to advertise for construction bids. On April 21, 2009, 15 bids were received. G-2000 Construction, Inc. (G-2000), was the apparent lowest bidder with a total lump sum bid of \$2,313,545 (Attachment B). On April 27, 2009, G-2000 requested that their bid be withdrawn due to clerical errors, and Public Works consented to release G-2000 from their bid. Public Works declared AMG and Associates, Inc. (AMG), the second lowest bidder, the apparent Lowest Responsive and Responsible Bidder, with a total lump sum bid of \$2,419,000, which includes a base bid of \$2,248,000 and three additive alternates, of which only two will be implemented for a contract total of \$2,259,500.

As approved by your Board on March 17, 2009, a consultant services agreement has been executed with AMG to prepare a baseline construction schedule for the project for

a \$3,900 not-to-exceed fee, which will be subtracted from their total lump sum bid as described in the Instructions to Bidders. The bid specifications provide that if the apparent lowest bidder fails to complete an acceptable construction schedule, we may return to your Board to recommend that the bidder be determined nonresponsible and recommend awarding the construction contract to the next lowest bidder, contingent on that bidder completing a baseline construction schedule that conforms to the County's specifications.

Sustainable Design Program

The project will support your Board's Sustainable Design Program by using efficient site selection, locally manufactured materials, water efficient plumbing fixtures, energy efficient light fixtures with light sensor controls, and photocells for outdoor lighting. There will be a savings due to reduction in electricity and water consumption as a result of the sustainable elements included in the design.

Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provision of Operational Effectiveness (Goal 1) through fiscal responsibility achieved through an investment in infrastructure that will allow Fire Camp 14 to operate more efficiently.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The recommended construction contract with AMG is for \$2,259,500, which includes base bid (\$2,248,000), Additive Alternate 2 (\$2,000), and Additive Alternate 3 (\$9,500). As previously mentioned, a design services agreement for a \$3,900 not-to-exceed fee was previously awarded to AMG for the preparation of a baseline construction schedule for the project. The cost of this agreement is included in AMG's base bid. Ten percent of the contract amount is allocated for change orders in the project budget.

Due to favorable bids received, the revised total project budget is \$3,762,000, instead of \$4,712,000 as previously approved by your Board, which includes construction, change orders, equipment, consultant services, miscellaneous expenditures, and County services. The project is funded with fund balance from the Consolidated Fire District's Accumulated Capital Outlay Fund. There is no impact to net County cost. The Fiscal Year 2009-10 Capital Projects Budget includes sufficient appropriation to complete the project.

The revised Project Schedule and Budget Summary are included in Attachment A.

Operational Budget Impact

Upon completion of the Fire Camp 14 Septic System Upgrade and New Inmate Restroom/Shower project, there will be no impact to the operating budget because it renovates existing infrastructure.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

On April 27, 2009, G-2000 requested it be relieved of its bid due to clerical errors. Public Works determined that G-2000 submitted sufficient evidence to demonstrate that the request meets the statutory requirements to be relieved of its bid without forfeiture of its bid bond. Therefore, we recommend that the contract be awarded to AMG, the second apparent Lowest Responsive and Responsible Bidder.

A standard contract, in the form previously approved by County Counsel, will be used. The standard Board-directed clauses that provide for contract termination, renegotiation, and hiring qualified displaced County employees will be included in the contract.

The project specifications contain provisions requiring the contractor to report solicitations of improper consideration by County employees and allowing the County to terminate the contract if it is found that the contractor offered or gave improper consideration to County employees.

As requested by your Board on August 12, 1997, and as a threshold requirement for consideration of contract award, AMG is willing to consider Greater Avenues for Independence Program/General Relief Opportunities for Work participants for future employment.

As required by your Board, language has been incorporated into the project specifications stating that the contractor shall notify its employees, and shall require each subcontractor to notify its employees, about Board Policy 5.135 (Safely Surrendered Baby Law) and that they may be eligible for the Federal Earned Income Credit under Federal income tax laws.

AMG is in full compliance with Los Angeles County Code Chapter 2.200 (Child Support Compliance Program) and Chapter 2.203 (Contractor Employee Jury Service Program).

To ensure that the contract is awarded to a responsible contractor with a satisfactory history of performance, bidders are required to report violations of the False Claims Act,

their civil litigation history, and information regarding prior criminal convictions. The information reported will be considered before making a recommendation to award.

ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION

On November 20, 2007, your Board found the project to be categorically exempt under California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines, Sections 15301 (d), 15302 (c), and 15303 (c), and the County of Los Angeles Environmental Procedures and Guidelines, Classes 2 and 3 adopted by your Board on November 17, 1987. A Notice of Exemption was filed with the Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk on December 21, 2007.

CONTRACTING PROCESS

On March 17, 2009, your Board adopted plans and specifications for the project at an estimated \$3,207,000 construction cost, and instructed the Executive Officer of your Board to advertise for construction bids. On April 21, 2009, 15 bids were received. The low bidder was determined by the total amount of the base bid, plus Additive Alternate 1, new access road and fire hydrant; Additive Alternate 2, cost to pump 5,000 gallons of effluent; and Additive Alternate 3, a one-year maintenance agreement for the septic system, plus 30 days of extended overhead, minus Local Business Enterprise preference. G-2000 was found to be the apparent lowest bidder. On April 27, 2009, G-2000 requested they be relieved of their bid due to clerical errors. On April 29, 2009, Public Works consented to release G-2000 from their bid and declared AMG (the second lowest bidder) the apparent Lowest Responsive and Responsible Bidder meeting the criteria adopted by your Board with a total lump sum bid of \$2,419,000, including \$115,500 for Additive Alternates 1 through 3 and \$55,500 for 30 days of extended overhead for assumed delay for bidding purposes. The amount of the recommended contract with AMG is \$2,259,500. The contract amount is arrived at by including base bid (\$2,248,000), Additive Alternate 2 (\$2,000), Additive Alternate 3 (\$9,500). The bid results are summarized in Attachment B.

AMG's Community Business Enterprises participation data (3.63 percent) and three-year contracting history with the County are on file with Public Works.

As requested by your Board on February 3, 1998, this contract opportunity was listed on the Doing Business with Us website.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

There will be no negative impact on current County services or projects during the performance of the recommended services.

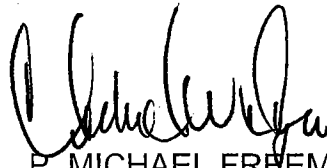
CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Chief Executive Office, Capital Projects Division; one to the Department of Public Works, Project Management Division II; and one to the Fire Department.

Respectfully submitted,



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Chief Executive Officer



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for Fire Chief

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Attachments

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Fire Department
Department of Public Social Services (GAIN/GROW Program)
Department of Public Works
Office of Affirmative Action Compliance
Probation Department

June 30, 2009

ATTACHMENT A

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I. PROJECT SCHEDULE

Project Activity	Scheduled Completion Date	Revised Completion Date
Design Construction Documents Jurisdictional Approvals	10/29/08* 02/05/09*	10/29/08* 03/05/09*
Construction Bid and Award	06/29/09	07/23/09
Construction Substantial Completion Acceptance	02/25/10 04/19/10	03/24/10 05/17/10

* Indicates completed activity.

II. PROJECT BUDGET SUMMARY

Budget Category	Project Budget	Impact of This Action	Revised Project Budget
Land Acquisition	\$0	\$0	\$0
Construction			
Low Bid Construction Contract (Septic & Restroom/Shower)	\$3,207,000	(\$947,500)	\$2,259,500
Change Orders (12 percent)	320,000	(45,000)	275,000
Job Order Contract (Site Work)	0	0	0
Low Bid Construction Contract	0	0	0
Departmental Crafts	0	0	0
Youth Employment	0	0	0
Construction Consultants	0	0	0
Misc. Expense	0	50,000	50,000
Telecomm Equip – Affixed to Building	0	0	0
Civic Arts	34,500	(7,500)	27,000
Subtotal	\$3,561,500	(\$950,000)	\$2,611,500
Programming/Development	\$0	\$10	\$0
Plans and Specifications			
Restroom/Shower	\$73,000	\$0	\$73,000
Septic Upgrade	180,000	0	180,000
Subtotal	\$253,000	\$0	\$253,000
Consultant Services			
Deputy Inspection	\$60,000	\$0	\$60,000
Site Planning	0	0	0
Hazardous Materials	0	0	0
Geotech/Soils Test	70,000	0	70,000
Material Testing	0	0	0
Cost Estimating	10,000	0	10,000
Project Scheduling	15,000	0	15,000
Topographic Surveys	0	0	0
Construction Management	30,000	0	30,000
Construction Administration	0	0	0
Environmental	0	0	0
Move Management	0	0	0
Equipment Planning	0	0	0
Legal	0	0	0
Contract/Change Order	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0
Subtotal	\$185,000	\$0	\$185,000

II. PROJECT BUDGET SUMMARY (continued)

Budget Category	Project Budget	Impact of This Action	Revised Project Budget
Printing	\$20,000	\$0	\$20,000
Miscellaneous	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Subtotal	\$20,000	\$0	\$20,000
Jurisdictional Review/Plan Check/Permit	\$32,500	\$0	\$32,500
County Services			
Code Compliance and Quality Control			
Inspections	\$143,000	\$0	\$143,000
Design Review	0	0	0
Design Services	0	0	0
Contract Administration	23,000	0	23,000
Project Management	395,000	0	395,000
Project Management Support Services	0	0	0
Secretarial	13,000	0	13,000
Document Control	44,000	0	44,000
ISD Job Order Contract Management	0	0	0
DPW Job Order Contract Management	0	0	0
ISD ITS Communications	0	0	0
Project Security	0	0	0
Project Technical Support	27,000	0	27,000
Consultant Contract Recovery	5,000	0	5,000
Office of Affirmative Action	10,000	0	10,000
County Counsel	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0
Job Order Contract Management	0	0	0
Design Services	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Subtotal	\$660,000	\$0	\$660,000
Total	\$4,712,000	(\$950,000)	\$3,762,000

ATTACHMENT B

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The project consists of construction of the septic system upgrades and a new inmate restroom and shower at Fire Camp 14.

Bid Opening: April 21, 2009

Bid Summary: See attached table

Financial Information:

Public Works' fair construction cost estimate was \$3,207,000, including the additive alternates, but not including amount for extended overhead based on assumed delay.

The contract will be issued to AMG for \$2,259,500, the amount of its base lump sum bid \$2,248,000, plus the amount of Additive Alternates 2 (\$2,000) and 3 (\$9,500). As previously mentioned, a design services agreement for a \$3,900 not-to-exceed fee was previously awarded to AMG for the preparation of a baseline construction schedule for the project. The cost of this agreement is included in AMG's base bid. The contract amount excludes the amount of Additive Alternate 1 and the amount for extended overhead for assumed delay of 30 days.

Bid Summary

No.	Contractor	Base Bid	Additive Alternate No. 1	Additive Alternate No. 2	Additive Alternate No. 3	Extended Overhead Daily Rate	Multiply by 30 Days	Total Lump Sum Bid
1	G-2000 Construction, Inc.	2,196,480	46,000	865	10,200	2,000	60,000	2,313,545*
2	AMG & Associates, Inc.	2,248,000	104,000	2,000	9,500	1,850	55,500	2,419,000
3	Perera	2,345,000	105,000	990	4,300	1,100	33,000	2,488,290
4	Procon	2,357,514	106,500	2,000	23,900	1,800	54,000	2,543,914
5	NSA Construction	2,338,000	150,000	1,800	6,000	2,000	60,000	2,555,800
6	Gonzales Construction	2,396,000	180,570	1,000	10,000	650	19,500	2,557,070
7	Interfex	2,490,000	108,855	1,800	10,500	1,821	54,630	2,665,785
8	Mackone	2,569,000	140,000	2,800	14,000	980	29,400	2,755,200
9	Delmac	2,688,000	180,000	1,000	4,000	1,000	30,000	2,903,000
10	MTM	2,872,000	85,000	2,000	23,000	400	12,000	2,994,000
11	Simgel Co., Inc.	2,497,260	388,900	8,000	93,000	2,500	75,000	3,062,160
12	SBS Corp.	2,898,687	201,607	1,780	10,080	500	15,000	3,077,154
13	Faris	2,985,000	100,000	2,000	36,000	1,950	58,500	3,181,500
14	Jenn/Matt, Inc.	3,479,000	48,817	2,000	22,182	500	15,000	3,566,999
15	Trimax Construction	3,370,000	350,000	1,500	10,000	500	15,000	3,746,500

*G-2000 withdrew bid due to clerical errors.

**The low bidder was determined by the total amount of the base bid, plus Additive Alternates 1, 2, and 3, plus 30 days of extended overhead, minus Local Small Business Enterprise preference.